## **REMARKS**

By the foregoing amendments the specification a cross-reference to the international application has been supplied. The claims have been amended to omit multiple dependencies, and the claims and specification have been amended to better conform to U.S. format.

A check in the amount of \$340 is enclosed to cover the fee for 17 additional independent claims is excess of 20.

No new matter has been added.

Respectfully submitted,

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